spent for strengthening and completing the bund on the southern side of the Karuvannur river. There is a section of the public who believe, and I think even expert opinion is divided on that matter, that the construction of the bund there will aggravate the havoc that will be caused by the floods in the rainy season. Any way it has been finally decided by the Government to take up and complete the southern bund. I would, in this connection, remind the Government, that when they strengthen that bund and cover up all the breaches that exist on that bund now, the water will be held up and concentrated in a small area with the result that the pressure on the northern bund would be considerably increased. The condition of the northern bund is already very bad. There are very many weak spots on it already. I think that the Government will bear testimony to the fact that every year during floods large amounts used to be spent for repairing that bund in various places. I therefore submit that before they actually finish the work of strengthening the southern bund of the Karuvannur river they should also see that the northen bund is also made equally strong. Otherwise there is every danger of that bund being breached and large expanse of Oorakam fields will be flooded and hundreds of houses submerged and destroyed. May I request the Government to inform me what they think of the suggestions which I have placed before them now?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—The Hon'ble Member may rest assured that what he has said in this House would be duly considered by the Government.

Demand was put and carried.

19. Rs. 2,100 under '29-A. Civil Engineering—Miscellaneous Public Improvements—Repairs'.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—Sir, I rise to move for an additional grant of Rs. 2,100/- under "29 (a) Civil Engineering-Miscellaneous Public Improvements—Repairs." This is for improving and repairing the revetment walls of the Irwin Park. There is no provision made for this in this year's budget. Savings are not also available for reappropriation. Hence an allotment of Rs. 2,100 is required which the House may be pleased to grant.

Demand was put and carried.

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